

House Resolution 2304

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177th

A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the passing of Judge James Edwin Peavy, Sr.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia recently lost one of its finest and most distinguished
3 citizens with the passing of Judge James Edwin Peavy, Sr., at the age of 85 on Tuesday,
4 March 14, 2006; and

5 WHEREAS, Judge Peavy was born on March 22, 1920, in Randolph County, Georgia, the
6 son of John Mackenzie Peavy and Addie Belle Peak Peavy; and

7 WHEREAS, he attended Cuthbert High School, Norman Park College, the University of
8 Georgia, and Mercer University School of Law, from which he graduated cum laude, and he
9 served in the Asian-Pacific Theater during the Second World War; and

10 WHEREAS, Judge Peavy began practicing law in Waycross in 1949, and in 1989 he became
11 judge of the State Court of Ware County, in which office he served until 1997; and

12 WHEREAS, he was an active member of the First Baptist Church, serving as deacon, general
13 superintendent of Sunday school, director of training union, chairman of the personnel
14 committee, chairman of the finance committee, chairman of the pulpit committee, chairman
15 of the deacons, and adult Sunday school teacher, and in 1988 he was chosen First Baptist
16 Church man of the year; and

17 WHEREAS, he is survived by his wife of 55 years, Carolyn Beasley Peavy, a son, James
18 Edwin Peavy, Jr., a daughter, Julie Hopkins, two grandchildren, Alva Joseph Hopkins, IV,
19 and Melissa Ann Hopkins, a step-grandson, Jason Thomas Cornelison, and a host of other
20 relatives and friends.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body express regret at the passing of Judge James Edwin Peavy, Sr., and
3 extend condolences to his grieving family and friends.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Judge James
6 Edwin Peavy, Sr.